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NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF 37 CFR

1.192(c)

The brief does not contain a concise explanation of the invention defined in the claims involved in the appeal, which refers to the specification by page and line number, and to the drawing, if any, by reference characters as required by 37 CFR 1.192(c)(5). Though various citations are provided, they do not address the limitations at issue within the claims on Appeal. Specifically, Applicant has only addressed the broad concepts not limitations presently claimed, without addressing the specifics of the claims directed to the limitations on Appeal. A "unique identifier" is not present in the claims on Appeal.

The brief does not contain a statement of the status of all the claims, pending or canceled, and identify the claims appealed as required by 37 CFR 1.192(c)(3). Claims pending are listed in a generic fashion, however, the status of canceled claims is not specifically identified.

The brief includes a statement that claims 1-3, 5-8, 9-13, and 15-24 are a group, however, does not include a statement that this grouping of claims does or does not stand or fall together and further fails to present reasons in support thereof as required under 37 CFR 1.192(c)(5). See also 37 CFR 1.192(c)(7). MPEP § 1206.

Appellant is required to comply with provisions of 37 CFR 1.192(c).

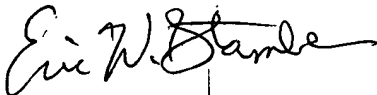
To avoid dismissal of the appeal, Appellant must comply with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.192(c) within the longest of any of the following TIME PERIODS: (1) ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing of this communication; (2) within the time period for reply to the action from which appeal has been taken; or (3) within two months from the date of the notice of appeal under 37 CFR 1.191. Extensions of these time periods may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136.

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